GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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FOREIGN APPLICANTS FOR MEDICAL COURSES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign applicants seeking admission in medical courses during 2001, 2002 and 2003;

(b) the number of applicants scrutinised out of them and the criteria adopted for selection to medical courses; and

(c) the number of students selected for the said courses?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)to(c): As the admission of students in medical courses is made by the respective State Governments/Institutions as per their own admission policies, the data with regard to the number of applications received from the foreign studensts, details with regard to scruitiny of such applications, number of students selected and the criteria of selection etc. are not centrally maintained. However, to fulfil the bilateral commitment, Central Government has been allocating 29 MBBS/1 BDS seats in each of the last 3 years from Central Pool of Medical and Dental Seats for the foreign students.The foreign students admitted in medical courses in India are required to possess the minimum educational qualifications prescribed by the Medical Council of India for joining medical courses in India.